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Appendix A:

Version with Markings to Show Changes Made

Please cancel claims 4, 11-13, 24, 29-49, and 55-58.

Please amend claims 50-54, 59, and 60 as follows:

- 50. An iron-type [a] golf club comprising:
 - a head having a sole;
 - a single straight hosel; and
 - a <u>single straight</u> shaft connected to the head <u>via the hosel</u>, the connection arranged so that the shaft forms a non-zero lean angle with the vertical when the head rests on its sole, the head <u>and hosel</u> having been cast or forged at the time of manufacture to achieve the non-zero lean angle.
- 51. An iron-type [a] golf club comprising:
 - a head having a sole;
 - a single straight hosel; and
 - a <u>single straight</u> shaft connected to the head <u>via the hosel</u>, the connection arranged so that the shaft forms a non-zero lean angle with the vertical when the head rests on its sole, the non-zero lean angle being greater than 3 degrees.
- 52. The <u>iron-type</u> golf club as defined in <u>either of claims</u> [claim] 51 <u>or 54</u> wherein the lean angle is greater than 3 and less than 15 degrees.
- 53. The <u>iron-type</u> golf club as defined in <u>either of claims</u> [claim] 51 <u>or 54</u> wherein the lean angle is greater than 3 and less than 10 degrees.

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54. An iron-type [a] golf club comprising:

a head having a sole;

a single straight hosel; and

a <u>single straight</u> shaft connected to the head <u>via the hosel</u>, the connection arranged so that the shaft forms a non-zero lean angle with the vertical when the head rests on its sole, the center of mass of the golf club being in substantially the same location as at the time of manufacture.

59. In combination, a golf club head <u>for an iron-type golf club</u> and a <u>single, straight</u> hosel, the golf club head having a face, a sole, and a design loft, the golf club head and hosel being arranged <u>and constructed</u> so that if the golf club head were attached to a <u>straight</u> shaft at the hosel and the sole of the golf club head were positioned on a flat surface so that its face achieves the design loft with respect to a plane perpendicular to the flat surface, the angle drawn between the certerline of the shaft and a plane perpendicular to the flat surface is non-zero.

60. An iron-type [a] golf club comprising:

a golf club head having a face, a sole, and a design loft;

a single straight hosel; and

a <u>single straight</u> shaft connected to the head via the hosel, the connection arranged so that if the head were positioned on a flat surface so that its face achieves the design loft with respect to the perpendicular, the shaft would not be perpendicular to the flat surface.

Please add the following new claims 61-65:

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- --61. A wedge-type golf club comprising a head and a shaft connected to the head with a non-zero lean angle.
- 62. A wedge-type golf club manufactured by a method comprising steps of:
 selecting a wedge head having a predetermined design characteristics including
 design loft and bounce angle; and
 attaching a shaft to the wedge head at a non-zero lean angle.
- 63. The wedge-type golf club of either one of claims 61 or 62, wherein the non-zero lean angle is greater than about 3 degrees.
- 64. The iron-type golf club of any one of claims 51, 52, 54 or 60, wherein the golf club is a wedge-type club.
- 65. The combination of claim 59, wherein the golf club head is a wedge-type head.--